

STATE CONGRESS

SH1ST01
Fargo South

Ways and Means/Appropriations (allocating, raising, and regulating of federal funds)

A RESOLUTION THAT THE UNITED STATES PROVIDE STATE GRANTS TO INCREASE TEACHER AND TEACHER ASSISTANT/PARAEDUCATOR PAY IN ALL 50 STATES IN ORDER TO ADDRESS THE TEACHER SHORTAGE

WHEREAS: All 50 states are currently experiencing a critical teacher shortage; and,

WHEREAS: The teacher shortage creates an unstable environment; and.

WHEREAS: Students need consistent educators in the classroom who are invested in their academic achievement and social emotional health; and,

WHEREAS: Great teaching is the single-most factor for student achievement especially for students from disadvantaged backgrounds; and.

WHEREAS: Increase teacher compensation has proven to be successful in recruitment of teachers to the profession.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

STATE CONGRESS

SH1ST02
Mandan High School

Ways and Means/Appropriations (allocating, raising, and regulating of federal funds)

A RESOLUTION THAT THE UNITED STATES TAX CHURCHES AND RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS

WHEREAS: Churches and religious organizations remain tax-exempt as the government recognizes them as public charities; and,

WHEREAS: Mega churches and religious organizations can make massive amounts of money each fiscal year; and,

WHEREAS: Typical public charities must report their earnings and expenditures annually to the IRS; and,

WHEREAS: Churches are religious organizations that do not have to submit documentation to the IRS about earnings and expenditures,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

STATE CONGRESS

SH1ST03

St. Mary's Central High School

Public Welfare (regulates domestic issues in U.S.)

A RESOLUTION TO ALLOW US CITIZENS RESIDING IN US TERRITORIES CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATION AND VOTING RIGHTS

WHEREAS: Citizens of US territories do not have voting rights or representation in congress;
and,

WHEREAS: The US taxes their territories without representation; and,

WHEREAS: Residents of US territories are often treated as second class citizens; and,

WHEREAS: This legislation would allow for the citizens of US territories gain fairer treatment
through congressional representation and voting rights; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

STATE CONGRESS

SH1ST04
Horace High School

State and Local (legislation that relates to ND)

A RESOLUTION THAT NORTH DAKOTA OFFER FREE TUITION FOR FIRST TIME COLLEGE STUDENTS WHO ARE NORTH DAKOTA RESIDENTS WITH HOUSEHOLD INCOMES UNDER \$90,000

WHEREAS: While post-secondary education is critically important to the future of North Dakota communities, the cost of post-secondary education is difficult for many to obtain without assistance, and North Dakota is particularly well situated to benefit its citizens through methods such as the Legacy Fund; and,

WHEREAS: There is a dire need to make post-secondary education readily available to fields facing critical shortages like teaching and nursing, particularly rural areas facing the greatest shortages; and,

WHEREAS: Average household incomes in North Dakota are seen to be approximately \$89,500 in 2021 Census Bureau data; and,

WHEREAS: Legislation like this is needed to help North Dakota be competitive with neighboring states like Minnesota who have passed similar legislation; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

STATE CONGRESS

SH1ST05

West Fargo Sheyenne High School

Ways and Means/Appropriations (allocating, raising, and regulating of federal funds)

A BILL TO ALLOCATE AND REGULATE FUNDING FOR AMERICAN INDIAN RESERVATIONS

WHEREAS: Section 1: This bill shall provide further funding and autonomy to all American Indian reservations in the United States of America. It shall be referred to as Reservation Improvement Act (RIA); and,

WHEREAS: Section 2: This bill shall allocate and provide an additional \$10 million individually to all 326 reservations in the United States on top of their current funding; and,

WHEREAS: Section 3: This funding will provide further autonomy to each reservation to give more electoral, judicial, and personal freedoms to each tribal government and its members; and,

WHEREAS: Section 4: This funding will also regulate how the tribes use this funding, specifically to make sure they invest it on tribal law enforcement, infrastructure, and education to be on par with the state standard; and,

WHEREAS: Section 5: Funding may be cut or harder regulated if a tribe fails to improve on any of the items listed in section 4; and,

WHEREAS: Section 6: Tribes can be given more funding if they can meet the improvement requirements in section 4 along with gaining congressional approval; and, Section 7: Section 2 shall go into effect June 1, 2025, with the rest of the bill taking effect December 30, 2025, and last until May 28, 2030, when it shall be assessed for continuation on the 200th anniversary of the Indian Removal Act; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

WEST CONGRESS

SH1W01

Fargo North

Ways and Means/Appropriations (allocating, raising, and regulating of federal funds)

A RESOLUTION THAT THE FDIC INCREASE INSURANCE POLICY TO 500K

WHEREAS: Whereas: It's been more than 13 years since this fund was last increased.

WHEREAS: Whereas the inflation rate has increased over 5% in the last 5 years.

WHEREAS: Whereas individuals and businesses with greater deposits would benefit more.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

WEST CONGRESS

SH1W02

Shanley

Public Welfare (regulates domestic issues in U.S.)

MAKE EXPERIMENTATION ON OR WITH EXTINCT ANIMALS ILLEGAL IN THE UNITED STATES.

WHEREAS: Genetic scientists are preparing to experiment on de-extinction strategies; and,

WHEREAS: Humanity does not understand how the genetics from extinct animals will mix with current genetics of the world; and,

WHEREAS: Current popular opinion about de-extinction is driven a misguided belief that humanity should revivify only animals it likes; and,

WHEREAS: While it is sad that animals have become extinct, this is the way mother nature has evolved the fittest animals for the current world; and,

WHEREAS: By bringing failed species back into the current eco-system, humanity will endanger the balance of nature; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

WEST CONGRESS

SH1W03

Shanley

Public Welfare (regulates domestic issues in U.S.)

COLLEGES IN THE UNITED STATES WILL CAP STUDENT OUT-OF-POCKET COSTS AT \$25,000 A YEAR FOR THE NEXT 20 YEARS.

WHEREAS: College is far more expensive than it needs to be; and,

WHEREAS: College degrees are important for the United States economy and communities; and,

WHEREAS: By capping the costs of out-of-pocket spending, students of the next generation will be able to plan for success and communities will have college graduates for the future; and,

WHEREAS: Colleges that cannot educate their students for this cost can tap into money from their endowments to cover the further cost of education or they can work much more diligently at cutting costs per graduate; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

WEST CONGRESS

SH1W04
Legacy High School

Ways and Means/Appropriations (allocating, raising, and regulating of federal funds)

A BILL TO UNIVERSALIZE MENTAL HEALTH CARE IN THE UNITED STATES

WHEREAS: The United States shall make mental health care services free to all citizens.

WHEREAS: Mental health care services shall be defined as services from a licensed mental health care provider in psychological assessment and intervention, such as, but not limited to, therapeutic evaluation, counseling, and medication support.

WHEREAS: The Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services within the Department of Human Health and 6 Services will be expanded to oversee the implementation of this bill.

WHEREAS: This legislation shall be funded by a 5% income tax increase on those with a household income of 500,000 USD or more annually

WHEREAS: This legislation shall take effect in the fiscal year 2024. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

WEST CONGRESS

SH1W05
Horace High School

Foreign Affairs (U.S. relationship with other countries or U.N.)

A RESOLUTION THAT THE UNITED STATES PUT SANCTIONS ON CHINA FOR THEIR CONTINUED MILITARIZATION OF THE SOUTH CHINA SEA

WHEREAS: The South China Sea is not the property of any specific country, and many countries are dependent on the South China Sea, making the People's Republic of China's (PRC) colonization of the South China Sea an international issue; and,

WHEREAS: The South China Sea is the main source of animal protein for the densely populated Southeast Asian area, creating the potential for humanitarian issues as the South China Sea continues to be militarized by the PRC; and,

WHEREAS: An additional harm of not acting is that the PRC's behavior is considered permissible, setting the stage for continued disregard for international law by the PRC and other countries; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

EAST CONGRESS

SH1E01

St. Mary's Central High School

Foreign Affairs (U.S. relationship with other countries or U.N.)

A RESOLUTION FOR THE US TO LIMIT TRADE WITH CHINA

WHEREAS: The United States is dependent on China for trade, and imports an annual average of \$562.9 billion of goods and services; and,

WHEREAS: United States trade with China has resulted in manufacturing job loss on US soil, is cause for concern in regards to national security, and China violates human rights in the workplace; and,

WHEREAS: China's manipulation of their currency harms US manufacturing; and,

WHEREAS: Limiting trade would help promote US manufacturing, and decrease United States dependence on China; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

EAST CONGRESS

SH1E02

Fargo North High School

State and Local (legislation that relates to ND)

A RESOLUTION THAT ND MANDATES THE JUVENILE TRUANCY LAW

WHEREAS: Whereas it would hold parents responsible for child neglect

WHEREAS: Between the ages of 7 and 17, formal education is required in most states.

WHEREAS: Whereas there will be less high school dropouts

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

EAST CONGRESS

SH1E03

Fargo Davies

Public Welfare (regulates domestic issues in U.S.)

A RESOLUTION THAT THE US SHOULD INCREASE FUNDING FOR AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER RESEARCH

WHEREAS: autism spectrum disorder (ASD) is a neurodevelopmental condition affecting a significant portion of the population, characterized by challenges in social interaction, communication, and repetitive behaviors; and

WHEREAS: individuals with autism and their families face diverse and complex needs that require continuous research and development of effective interventions, therapies, and support services; and

WHEREAS: increasing funding for autism research is crucial for advancing our understanding of the disorder, developing evidence-based interventions, and improving the quality of life for individuals with autism and their families.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

EAST CONGRESS

SH1E04

West Fargo High School

Public Welfare (regulates domestic issues in U.S.)

A RESOLUTION TO CONDEMN THE USE OF HOSTILE ARCHITECTURE IN PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE SPACES WITHIN THE UNITED STATES

WHEREAS: Hostile architecture violates basic human rights, and harms youth, people with disabilities, the elderly, homeless populations, and surrounding nature; and

WHEREAS: Upwards of 580,000 people were classified as homeless in 2022; and

WHEREAS: Hostile architecture is incompatible with wheelchairs or mobility scooters, impeding some disabled and elderly peoples' ability to navigate public spaces; and

WHEREAS: Hostile architecture poses a threat to children's safety; and

WHEREAS: Hostile architecture has made public spaces less hospitable for wildlife; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

EAST CONGRESS

SH1E05

Mandan High School

Public Welfare (regulates domestic issues in U.S.)

A RESOLUTION THAT THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS AND CONGRESSIONAL STAFF SHALL REFRAIN FROM USING AI GENERATORS WHEN WRITING LEGISLATION

WHEREAS: AI generators are a relatively new technology with unknown consequences; and,

WHEREAS: AI generator's output includes outdated and incorrect information; and,

WHEREAS: AI generators store information that users enter into them; and,

WHEREAS: Information gathered from AI generators can jeopardize the security and integrity of the United States.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

INVITATIONAL CONGRESS

SH1101

Richardton-Taylor

Public Welfare (regulates domestic issues in U.S.)

A RESOLUTION TO DISPOSE OF SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL UNDER THE OCEAN'S SEAFLOOR

WHEREAS: A sub-seabed disposal strategy would create thousands of jobs through innovation of spinoff technologies such as autonomous underwater vehicles; and

WHEREAS: A sustainable solution to store nuclear waste such as sub-seabed disposal removes a critical barrier to support for and commercialization of nuclear energy; and

WHEREAS: Current methods of nuclear waste storage leave the United States susceptible to terrorist attacks; and

WHEREAS: The United States has no sustainable long-term solution to storage of nuclear waste; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

INVITATIONAL CONGRESS

SH1102

West Fargo Sheyenne High School

Public Welfare (regulates domestic issues in U.S.)

A BILL FOR THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO REGULATE EDUCATIONAL CURRICULUMS AND MATERIALS WITHIN ALL PUBLIC SCHOOLS

WHEREAS: Section 1: This bill may be referred to as The Unified National Curriculum Empowerment & National Standards Oversight for a Refined Educational Directive Act. The UNCENSORED Act; and,

WHEREAS: Section 2: Curriculum shall be defined as “a standards-based sequence of planned experiences where students practice and achieve proficiency in content and applied learning skills”; and,

WHEREAS: Section 3: Materials shall include, but not be limited to: literature, both in school libraries and classroom resources, physical media, including art, visual aids, and photography, video media, and media accessed through the internet; and,

WHEREAS: Section 4: This bill shall revoke the right of state legislatures and state educational bodies to create and or control educational curriculums and materials within public schools with this right being delegated to the United States Department of Education; and,

WHEREAS: Section 5: This bill shall be overseen by the National Department of Education in collaboration with state legislatures or educational bodies if applicable. A) The National Department of Education shall author curriculums and approved resources for all public schools nationally. B) The curriculums and approved materials shall be enforced and implemented by individual state legislatures or educational bodies within their overseen public schools. C) All state legislatures or equivalent educational bodies shall send one delegate on even years starting in 2026 to a bi-annual conference held by the National Department of Education to provide feedback and suggestions intended to modify curriculum or approved materials; and,

WHEREAS: Section 6: This bill shall take effect on July 1, 2025, and applied immediately in the following school year; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

INVITATIONAL CONGRESS

SH1103

Dickinson Trinity

State and Local (legislation that relates to ND)

A RESOLUTION TO ALLOW LARGE CORPORATIONS AND FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS PURCHASE LARGE PARCELS OF FARM LAND.

WHEREAS: Corporate farms improve the productivity of the land

WHEREAS: Many family farms are already operating as LLC or large corporate farms

WHEREAS: The ND corporate farming laws were enacted after the Great Depression and are out-dated

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

INVITATIONAL CONGRESS

SH1104

Fargo Davies

Foreign Affairs (U.S. relationship with other countries or U.N.)

A RESOLUTION THAT THE US BAN THE USE OF CONGOLESE COBALT PRODUCTS IN CONSUMER GOODS

WHEREAS: concerns have been raised about the unethical mining practices, including child labor and unsafe working conditions, associated with cobalt extraction in the DRC; and

WHEREAS: the use of cobalt in consumer products without proper due diligence contributes to human rights abuses, environmental degradation, and supports an unsustainable supply chain; and

WHEREAS: it is the responsibility of consumer nations to take steps to ensure that the products they import and consume are ethically and sustainably sourced.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

INVITATIONAL CONGRESS

SH1105
Century High School

Public Welfare (regulates domestic issues in U.S.)

A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE REPEAL OF THE AIRLINE DEREGULATION ACT OF 1978

WHEREAS: Deregulation created a monopoly that sees four airlines—American, Delta, United, and Southwest—control 80% of the market and the airline industry is smaller and more concentrated than at any time since 1914

WHEREAS: Deregulation has harmed smaller markets. Since the pandemic, American, Delta and United have dropped 74 cities from service

WHEREAS: Airlines should regulate routes and fares to ensure fairness in the system

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

INVITATIONAL CONGRESS

SH1106

West Fargo High School

Foreign Affairs (U.S. relationship with other countries or U.N.)

A RESOLUTION THAT THE UNITED STATES APOLOGIZE FOR OPERATION PEDRO PAN

WHEREAS: The United States has yet to apologize for their actions regarding Operation Pedro Pan, otherwise known as Operation Peter Pan; and

WHEREAS: Operation Pedro Pan resulted in 14,048 unaccompanied Cuban minors being airlifted from Cuba between 1960 to 1962; and

WHEREAS: Several CIA agents have admitted to spreading false information about parental rights in Cuba that led to the politicization of children; and

WHEREAS: Children of Operation Pedro Pan experienced physiological abuse that raised from language barriers, difficulties in adapting to social and cultural customs; and

WHEREAS: 5% of children impacted by Operation Pedro Pan have never been reunited with their parents; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

INVITATIONAL CONGRESS

SH1107

Richardton-Taylor

Ways and Means/Appropriations (allocating, raising, and regulating of federal funds)

A RESOLUTION TO EMPLOY REFORM ON CAMPAIGN FINANCING TO ENSURE EQUITABLE ELECTIONS

WHEREAS: Each state will have a bi-partisan committee that will be created to oversee the budgeting and dispersal of funds set aside to supplement a financially challenged candidate for the House of Representatives that has not held an office in the House of Representatives previously ; and

WHEREAS: A qualified candidate must file with their state's election commission on November 1st, one year before election they intend to run in; and

WHEREAS: A financially challenged candidate is considered a person that has received less than \$20,000 in campaign donations; and

WHEREAS: The funding for this bill will be collected by implementing a 10% tax on all House of Representative candidates that have received over \$750,000; and

WHEREAS: The Department of the Treasury is tasked with the responsibility of monitoring the committee and dispersal of the funds to qualified candidates from all states; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

INVITATIONAL CONGRESS

SH1108

Dickinson Trinity

Public Welfare (regulates domestic issues in U.S.)

A RESOLUTION TO MAKE IT ILLEGAL TO INDICT A SITTING OR FORMER PRESIDENT

WHEREAS: The Office of the Presidency is one of high honor and prestige and is often considered to be the leader of the free world;

WHEREAS: Lawsuits of such a nature are often politically motivated;

WHEREAS: Irreparable damage to the office itself can be done

WHEREAS: This damage can affect our status as a world leader

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

INVITATIONAL CONGRESS

SH1109
Century High School

Ways and Means/Appropriations (allocating, raising, and regulating of federal funds)

A BILL TO ENACT NATIONWIDE PAID FAMILY

WHEREAS: All citizens of the United States of America who are employed in the United States or who are employed overseas by the United States federal government are entitled to 12 weeks of paid family leave.

WHEREAS: Paid family leave can be used for the birth of a child; the adoption or foster care of a child; and the care of ones self and/or an immediate family member with a serious health condition

WHEREAS: The paid family leave would be regulated and overseen by the US Department of Labor

WHEREAS: The plan would be paid for with a new 0.4 percent payroll tax split evenly between employers and employees or paid in full by the self-employed

WHEREAS: The plan guarantees benefits of at least \$580 per month and at most \$4,000 per month

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

INVITATIONAL CONGRESS

SH1110

Valley City

Public Welfare (regulates domestic issues in U.S.)

RESOLVED THAT THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA, THROUGH THIS CONGRESS, CALL FOR AN CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

WHEREAS: The Constitution of the U.S.A. is heavily outdated and unreliable for the American people. A Constitutional Convention would call for Amendments or the ratification of the United States Constitution and allow for a new one to be established.

WHEREAS: 15 States Have already called for A Constitutional Convention, and the American people favor such. The Constitution has principles, wording, and rules from over 200 years ago and needs reformation and extensive change to its wording/principles.

WHEREAS: The Constitution's words and the interpretation of it have been questioned for years by this Congress and the people of the United States. Of whom deserve a clear answer.

WHEREAS: The Constitution's policies, Such as The Electoral College, The Second Amendment, and the Privacy Rights of U.S. citizens, have also been extensively questioned by This Congress and The People of The United States.

WHEREAS: The Supreme Court of The United States needs a formal and recent document with descriptive rules and instructions to interpret as their cases have become more and more extensive.

WHEREAS: WHEREAS: ND HCR3006 was passed in 2017 and called for a Constitutional Convention to address the federal government's jurisdiction and power by amending The Constitution. However, this legislation would call for a Constitutional Convention for no "one" specific purpose. Yet to allow the delegates to bring forth any constitutional amendments or changes at their own will. WHEREAS: The United States People need a clear document to uphold and defend their land. Our culture as a congress and as people has changed. While our society constantly evolves. WHEREAS: According to Article V of The United States Constitution, Three-Quarters of the States need to call for a Constitutional Convention for it to happen. North Dakota will join multiple other states who have passed this kind of legislation to change our Constitution for the greater good.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...

INVITATIONAL CONGRESS

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Grand Forks Public Schools

Ways and Means/Appropriations (allocating, raising, and regulating of federal funds)

A RESOLUTION THAT THE UNITED STATES ALLOCATE MONEY TO CONTINUE TO FUND EXISTING AND BUILD NEW GENDER-AFFIRMING CARE OPPORTUNITIES FOR US CITIZENS.

WHEREAS: Gender-affirming care is considered safe, effective, and medically necessary by major professional health associations, including the American Medical Association, the American Academy of Pediatrics, and the Endocrine Society.

WHEREAS: Studies show that the prevalence of suicidal thoughts and attempts among transgender adults is significantly higher than that of the U.S. general population.

WHEREAS: People who receive gender-affirming care, including puberty blockers and gender-affirming hormones, were associated with 60% lower odds of moderate or severe depression and 73% lower odds of suicidality over a 12-month follow-up.

WHEREAS: 1.6M people ages 13+ identify as transgender in the US, with 1.3M being adults and 300,000 as youth.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED...